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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were unchanged in the East and Midwest, but slightly lower in the West when compared to a week earlier. Demand was seasonal slow except where features were stimulating some additional movement. Food service was fair. Offerings of all sizes were adequate. Floor stocks were reported in a full range with most traders keeping inventories to a minimum level. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate with best interest noted where specials were in progress. Breast items were in a better balance, but still available; wings were adequate to fully adequate. Dark meat items were fully adequate to ample with inventories slow to clear. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 07-NOV-2005 (cents per lb)

US grade A				Composite	
Areas	Majority	Wtd Avg	Lds	Wtd Avg	Lds
Boston/New England	TFEWR			63.38	39
Chicago	57.00-60.00	60.79	39	62.11	79
Ohio Cities	TFEWR			58.56	22
Denver	79.50	79.50	14	80.00	15
Detroit	59.00-61.00	60.64	11	64.99	56
Los Angeles	80.00	77.91	54	73.97	102
New York	60.00-63.00	62.23	22	64.49	57
Philadelphia	59.50-61.00	60.36	11	60.69	24
Pittsburgh	59.00-62.00	60.91	11	66.59	57
St. Louis	59.75	59.19	20	59.63	33
San Francisco	80.50	79.45	33	79.63	65

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	11/07/05	Change Last Wk	10/31/05	11/08/04
549	67.50	.97	66.53	67.67

WOG broilers - (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and ltl quantities:

Marketing Regions	Majority	Wtd Avg	Lds
Eastern	63.50-67.25	65.13	32
Central	46.00-67.00	63.45	74
Western	56.00-68.00	64.21	33
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	70.00-73.00	72.25	90

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 73.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,142	57.00-76.00	71.96

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	151.00	1,483
BREASTS - B/S	127.50	6,438
BREASTS - WHOLE	73.00	1,538
THIGH MEAT - B/S	119.50	1,091
LEG QUARTERS	41.50	8,524
WINGS	84.00	3,102

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

**NORTHEAST** Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fair to instances fairly good entering the week. Offerings of all sizes were more than sufficient for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was light to fair. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts were generally adequate and clearing satisfactorily; bone-in breast and tenderloins were generally adequate. Dark meat cuts and wings were available and competitively priced.

**SOUTHERN** Trade sentiment was barely steady to steady for early week trading. Demand was seasonally light with trading confined to immediate needs. Supplies of all sizes were at least sufficient for trade needs. In the parts structure, trading was light to moderate. Breast items were close balance to adequate as feature activity helps to move some additional product. Wings were at least adequate to available. Dark meat was adequate to ample and continued to be discounted to aid in movement. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

**WESTERN** Final majority prices were 1 cent lower than last Monday's reported levels. Trading reported at mainly lower prices, with new negotiations of small sized whole body product at higher prices. Offerings easily adequate to cover current needs. Buying activity was lighter. Retailer demand seasonally moderate. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 58.76 down .02 with the volume reported at 25 loads down 7 percent.

**MIDWEST** Final majority prices were unchanged to lower from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was barely steady to occasionally steady. Offerings were light to moderate on limited trade interest. Retail and food service demand was mixed, slow to fairly good; best for birds, boneless/skinless breasts and wings. Floor stocks were in full range, mostly adequate. Weights desirable. Supplies of parts were adequate to ample. The market tone was steady to barely steady on white meat cuts and weak on remainder of parts.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was seasonally fair to fairly good for post weekend fill-in needs. Seller offerings were fully adequate. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 63 to 71 cents. Trade sentiment was about steady. In the parts complex, supplies of boneless/skinless breast were adequate to closely cleared. Bone-in breasts and tenders were adequate. Leg quarters, thighs and wings were fully adequate to ample.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

### BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	55-76
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
(A) Not released to avoid disclosing individual operations.	

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity increased slightly entering the week and was noted as fair to moderate at best. Offerings of boneless skinless breasts were in better balance and clearing satisfactorily; bone-in breast were sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts and wings were available and slow to clear. Retail and distributive movement was light to fair. The market tone was barely steady to weak for most dark meat cuts; balance of items were generally steady.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	105-110	102.52	718,000
TENDERLOINS	100	105.84	185,910
BREAST - WITH RIBS	61-62	71.80	63,956
BREAST - LINE RUN	61	63.56	81,000
LEGS	48-49	50.19	190,420
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	30-31	32.46	435,047
DRUMSTICKS	36-37	40.49	119,200
THIGHS	40-41	50.73	62,000
B/S THIGHS	101-102	103.30	88,480
WINGS (WHOLE)	79-80	77.97	328,500
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.20	12,480
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	50-55	48.73	15,964
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	70-75	70.77	14,240

INCL: NY CITY METRO, N. NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (NE OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

**ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,040	85.00-105.00	95-103	97.38
TENDERLOINS	320	70.00-97.00	-	86.88
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,000	20.00-32.00	23-29	27.64
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
WINGS (WHOLE)	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,640	24.00-30.00	26-30	28.41

#### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	11/07	11/03	11/03	10/31	10/27
Alabama	4,126	4,066	5.41	3,789	5.36
Arkansas	5,508	5,475	5.30	5,365	5.33
Delmarva	2,312	2,314	5.72	2,290	5.61
KY-LA-TN	2,302	2,308	5.08	2,214	5.03
Mississippi	2,995	2,985	5.58	2,747	5.71
North Carolina	2,547	2,491	6.76	2,268	6.85
Texas	2,510	2,560	5.24	2,522	5.28
Total	22,300	22,199	5.54	21,195	5.54
Mon	22,300(A)			21,195(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 07-Nov 2005 is estimated to be 33,363,000 up 4.90 percent from a week ago. and up 2.8 percent from a year ago. (last week 31,805,000 last year 32,468,000)

**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	775	90.00-155.00	-	102.81
TENDERLOINS	210	89.00-150.00	-	94.76
BREAST - LINE RUN	111	65.00-75.00	70-73	71.02
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	131	39.00-68.00	40-42	41.17
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	521	24.00-35.00	27-28	27.32
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,050	27.00-36.00	29-31	29.82
WINGS (WHOLE)	299	72.00-80.00	77-79	77.73
WINGS (CUT)	313	90.00-97.00	92-95	93.90
DRUMSTICKS	78	34.00-68.00	-	39.54

THIGHS TOO FEW TO REPORT

B/S THIGHS TOO FEW TO REPORT

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR NOVEMBER 07, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
35.00 - 43.50	38.41	39.53

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS** ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 07-NOV-2005-11-NOV-2005.

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	91.00 - 110.00	95.00 - 110.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	57.00 - 85.00	63.00 - 68.00
LEGS	43.00 - 54.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	22.00 - 40.00	25.00 - 33.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	30.00 - 42.00	30.00 - 34.00
DRUMSTICKS	25.00 - 46.00	-
THIGHS	29.00 - 39.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	65.00 - 91.00	79.00 - 82.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 50.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 70.00	-

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	90.75-102.75
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	89.25-105.25
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

#### DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

#### DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	95-107
DRY PACK	114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	100-112
DRY PACK	118
HENS OVER 5#	90-105
DRY PACK	109
DUCKS	185-188

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

Nov 04, 2005

**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED**

<u>PRICES</u>		<u>VOLUME</u>	
FAT			
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL
15% OR LESS			
RANGE	-	18.00-19.00	400,000
WTD AVERAGE		18.60	

15-20%			
RANGE	13.00-21.00	13.00-17.00	2,484,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.19	14.62	1,404,000

20% OR MORE			
RANGE	-	14.00	200,000
WTD AVERAGE		14.00	

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

Nov 04, 2005

**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED**

<u>PRICES</u>		<u>VOLUME</u>	
FAT			
CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL
15% OR LESS			
RANGE	-	20.00	40,800
WTD AVERAGE		20.00	

15-20%			
RANGE	12.00-20.00	10.00-19.00	1,692,000
WTD AVERAGE	15.25	14.68	1,182,000

20% OR MORE			
RANGE	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE			

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Trading levels were lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings from production areas. Finished sales were seasonally active. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\*  
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF  
07-NOV-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9-15.75 CENTS/LB.	11.5-12.5	12.15

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN** Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was no better than fair for the mostly adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product were generally sufficient for current needs. The undertone was steady to about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\*  
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF  
07-NOV-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-15.5 CENTS/LB.	12-13	12.72
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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